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Weather
Flight
Forecast

Friday
High: 70
Low: 44



Saturday
High: 73
Low: 39



Sunday
High: 71
Low: 40



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Actions result in consequences

By Maj. David Everitte
341st Services Squadron Commander

As I sat down to write this editorial, I gave considerable thought to what I was going to write about. Ideas that crossed my mind included drinking and driving, underage drinking, customs and courtesies, dress and grooming standards, recreational outlets in Montana and a slew of other topics. I then thought “what do all these topics have in common?” and “what’s one way you can tie all these things together and discuss them in a meaningful way?”

The answer is simple: no matter how varied our lives, we all have the freedom to make decisions based on the options life presents. We all make decisions and act on them. What we must understand is there are consequences to our actions and we should consider those possible consequences ... essentially, think before you act.

Pedestrians, drivers need to co-exist

By Lt. Col. Debra A. North
341st Space Wing Chief of Safety

We are enjoying nicer weather now which means there will be more people walking around and more children out and about so it is imperative everyone is thinking not only safety, but common courtesy. Give yourself enough time to get where you want to go without having to hurry. Plan ahead, and be prepared.

Driving, whether on the highway or in town, is an intricate task, and one which deserves and requires our complete attention. You have to keep your eye on the other drivers and everything else that is going on along your path — kids playing, people walking, dogs darting out, etc.

Did you know a pedestrian is killed or injured every seven minutes? When you are driving, how well do you pay attention to crosswalks? We need to keep in mind vehicles are required to yield to pedestrians in a crosswalk in their half of the road. On base, it’s customary to yield the entire time the pedestrian is walking across the street. This helps provide an indicator to other vehicles that something is different than

Consider this: you make a conscious decision to get out of bed in the morning, to get ready for work by making sure you’re in compliance with dress and grooming standards, to show up to work on time, to give 100 percent effort on the job and to be a reliable member of your unit. Or, you decide to hit the snooze alarm four or five times before getting out of bed, you throw on a dirty, wrinkled uniform (because you made the decision not to wash and iron it over the weekend), you show up late for work, choose to do as little as possible to get by and maybe choose to use a fabricated appointment as an excuse to leave work early.

Consequences from the first scenario are likely to be recognition as a top performer, an outstanding performance evaluation, promotion and a successful career with tons of opportunities, not to mention the valuable service you are providing to your country. In the second scenario, you are sure to see some

different consequences: letter of counseling, letter of reprimand, Article 15, UIF, control roster, referral EPR, reduction in grade, forfeiture of pay ... general, under other than honorable conditions, or dishonorable discharge. And to think, it all started with one or two bad decisions.

This simple philosophy applies to all facets of our lives. Even the small decisions we make result in consequences and often help determine success or failure. Sometimes bad things happen despite our best efforts to make the right decisions. Ultimately though, we have a huge amount of control over our successes, our failures and our lives. We always have the choice to do the right thing ... to let good decisions drive our actions. So, keep that in mind as you go about your life.

This is the Air Force and we do love our acronyms. So, just remember “ARC” — Actions Result in Consequences! ♡

normal, i.e. there is someone in the crosswalk.

There are some rules of the road for pedestrians. If a pedestrian is crossing the roadway at any point other than within a marked or unmarked crosswalk, they must yield the right-of-way to the vehicles on the roadway. Except within a marked crosswalk, pedestrians must cross the roadway at a right angle or by the shortest route.

We need to remember the maximum speed limit in base housing is 15 mph (only 10 mph along Lincoln Drive), except where posted. You have to keep situational awareness of anyone walking, running, rollerblading or playing in case they suddenly step out onto the street in front of you.

Here are “10 Steps to Arrive Alive” adapted from The Dow Chemical Company: Motor Vehicle Accident Case Study which can be found at http://www.osha.gov/dcsp/success_stories/alliances/dow/motor_vehicle_case_study.html.

1. Realize your number one priority right now is to drive your vehicle safely and without incident to your destination.

2. Check behind the vehicle for obstacles to ensure it is

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On the cover: Staff Sgt. Steven Wells, 83rd Civil Support Team information systems analyst, demonstrates one of the unified command suites capabilities during training here Tuesday. Photo by Airman Emerald Ralston.

DUI Update

Days since last DUI. . . . 6
DUIs this year 9
Same time last year . . . 11
MIPs this year 13
Same time last year . . . 6

788-HOME works!

766 Saves this year
21 Saves this week

DUIs in last 60 Days

• 341st CES	May 6
• 341st MSFS	May 1
• 741st MSFS	April 29
• 741st MSFS	April 25
• 341st CES	April 21
• 741st MSFS	March 25
• 341st CES	March 20

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By Chaplain (Capt.) Shawn Bishop
341st Space Wing Chapel

Hope is something important — something special. Sometimes I see it abundantly in people I meet. Sometimes it is sparse. But I know it exists and it is available.

Tonight, I write from a missile alert facility. As I visited with folks here, I began to see and hear things that were hopeful and attitudes that were conducive to community.

This night has been a blessing. A facility manager shared about a personal philosophy of making the best of whatever situations come in life. I saw a flight security controller helping a new senior airman who transferred to the 341st Missile Security Forces Squadron from the 741st MSFS learn the FSC job. I saw a staff sergeant both help his team and teach them. The chef made a family-style spaghetti dinner for a big crew including a periodic maintenance team — she served us as we ate together, a common meal at the same time.

It was a symbolic contrast to individual meal orders. One Airman made sure another had a seat at the table and moved chairs around to make it happen.

I talked with two security escort team guards at a picnic table outside as the sun began to set. I listened to two young Airmen speak of teamwork, unit cohesion, proactive actions they took and their efforts to support some flight-mates going through some challenges. This night everyone had a kind word or positive contribution, and I’ve been glad to be here.

Tonight I’ve seen hopeful things. I’m reminded that God gives hope and hope can (and should) be found in our community experiences.

Remember the people you care about. Remember to point out hope to them and also let them point it out to you. ♡

Gift requests: The Do’s and Don’ts

By 1st Lt. Pak Sa Dewhurst
341st Contracting Squadron

The Dining-Ins, Heritage Dinners, squadron picnics and holiday parties are annotated on the remainder of the 2006 calendar and it’s time to collect gift prizes from your favorite businesses to make these events memorable. Then you hear this isn’t permitted. You ask yourself, “What? Every unit I’ve been assigned to, our booster club members trudged through blizzards and along city blocks collecting gift vouchers and certificates from retailers, restaurants, and the like. Aren’t we permitted to do this?”

The Department of Defense 5500.7-R, Joint Ethics Regulation, and Air Force Instruction 34-223, Private Organization Program, set out the guidance on this issue. Air Force members and employees may not solicit money, gifts or prizes on-base or off-base in their official capacity for any Air Force programs, private organizations, unofficial activities or special events. Air Force members and employees are permitted to solicit gifts or raise funds in a personal capacity if they act exclusively outside the scope of their official positions. Employees cannot use their official title, rank, position or organization name in connection with their private activities, avoiding any affiliation to the

Department of Defense.

What if I’m a member of a booster club? AFI 34-223 and the JER govern solicitation as a member of a booster club. Booster clubs are recognized private organizations and, if all applicable requirements have been met, and are allowed to fundraise for unit morale and welfare purposes. However, you must observe the rules on fundraising for a private organization. You can solicit gifts or raise funds off-base as a member of a booster club only if you make it clear you are fundraising on behalf of the club and not as an official entity of the Air Force. There must be no doubt in the eyes of the public you are soliciting on behalf of the club. Also, you are not allowed to use your official Air Force position, rank, or title if you solicit as a booster club member.

My spouse can solicit on my behalf, right? Not permitted either. A member may not solicit or accept money, gifts or prizes through his or her family because of their relationship to the employee, or given to any other person, including any charitable organization by designation, appointment or recommendation by the Air Force member or employee. Organizing unit fundraisers throughout the year for these occasions will be the most ethical and will result in overwhelming success. ♡

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the Loy Elementary School students and staff, I would like to thank Team Malmstrom for coming through, once again. Last week, I made a few contacts asking for help to lay sod purchased by our PTA for a new soccer field. I heard that e-mails were sent out throughout several squadrons and the troops responded!

We had approximately 60 volunteers show up on Thursday afternoon and about 15 on Friday morning. Many hands made light work and the sod was laid in no time!

As usual, I put out the call and Team Malmstrom showed up. We are privileged to have Malmstrom be a part of our learning community. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Tammy Lacey
Loy Elementary Principal



Photo provided

Team Malmstrom volunteers packed the Loy Elementary School soccer field to assist with laying new sod May 4. Many returned to finish the job May 5.

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Asian-Pacific Americans Adding to the American mosaic



By Special Agent Joseph LaVille
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INCIRLIK AIR BASE, Turkey (AFP) — An area studies professor asked our class to describe the “Asian-Pacific culture.”

As we tried, we had to account for the largest landmass and ocean area in the world. We also had to keep in mind individuals from nearly 30 different countries and countless islands, each with a unique historical and cultural heritage.

Some used descriptions such as family-centric, studious, hardworking, money-saving and mainly Oriental. However, the more we discussed, the more we realized that it is an amazingly large area with great diversity.

So, how is it possible to write a short article about a very diverse group in

recognition of Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month?

Let’s start with the official celebration of Asian-Pacific American heritage. It began in 1978, but was celebrated for only one week in May. The Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month was enacted by Public Law on Oct. 28, 1992. The purpose was to honor the achievements of Asian-Pacific Americans and to recognize their contributions to the United States.

The month of May was selected for this recognition because two significant events in history took place in that month: Japanese immigrants first arrived in the U.S. on May 7, 1843, and the transcontinental railroad was completed on May 10, 1869 (Golden Spike Day) by a majority of Chinese immigrants.

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safe to back the vehicle if needed.

3. Ensure you are mentally and physically alert and are capable of making the trip.

4. Securely fasten your seatbelt and adjust it for proper fit.

Ensure that everyone in your vehicle has theirs on as well.

5. Be aware of the weather and realize it can change during the trip. Adjust your driving technique to allow for darkness, fog, rain, ice, etc.

6. Be alert for traffic and road hazards and adjust your driving to safely allow for them.

7. Obey all posted highway traffic signs.

8. Have a good attitude toward driving. Be courteous and allow for other drivers’ mistakes.

9. Devote your undivided attention to safely operating your vehicle and do not allow distractions to take your mind away from driving.

10. Know the five keys to safe driving: Aim high in steering, get the big picture, make sure they see you, keep your eyes moving and leave yourself an out.

For more information, read AFI 31-204 341 SW Supplement 1. ♡

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grants.

Asian-Pacific Americans have added to the American mosaic. The Chinese were the first Asians to arrive in large numbers in the 1800s, with a boom during the California gold rush. Another large group was the Japanese, but mainly in Hawaii and California. At the beginning of the 1900s, Filipinos began to immigrate in significant numbers after the Philippines came under U.S. control following the Spanish-American War.

Asian-Pacific immigration continues from just about every country. Today, there are more than 13 million Americans who claim their heritage to be Asian-Pacific.

Asian-Pacific people have even influenced our military development. There are few students of military strategy who have not studied the Chinese teachings of Sun Tsu or read the book “Art of War.” About three percent of our Air Force lists their heritage as Asian-Pacific.

A memorable event occurred in May 1987 for an Air Force Asian-Pacific American — Hoang Nhu Tran, a former refugee. He graduated as valedictorian of the U.S. Air Force Academy in a class of 950 students. He was also a Rhodes Scholar and Time Magazine’s recipient of the 1986 College Achievement Award.

One article cannot cover all the aspects of a diverse group like the Asian-Pacific Americans. The month of May is your chance to learn about their heritage. ♡

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Photos by Airman Emerald Ralston

National Guard members perform simulated decontamination as part of their Initial Collective Lanes Training here Monday that will ultimately lead to operational certification from the Secretary of Defense.

Guardsmen train for certification

By Capt. Elizabeth B. Benn
341st Space Wing Public Affairs Office

The Montana National Guard’s 83rd Civil Support Team, from Fort Harrison, Helena, Mont., completed their Initial Collective Lanes Training here Tuesday. The 10-day ICLT tested the team’s ability to respond to domestic terrorist threats.

Cadre from 5th Army, out of Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas, conducted the training, aided by the 341st Space Wing plans and programs office and Team Malmstrom first responders. The team participated in a variety of scenarios, as well as demonstrated its capabilities by assisting Team Malmstrom with an incident outside its normal operating construct.

“The scenarios were our opportunity to interact with other agencies and really see how we will operate in real-world situations,” said Lt. Col. Mike Rand, 83rd CST commander. “We were able to see how we fit into the incident commander’s objectives and how we can help.”

CSTs consist of 22 full-time National Guard members, including medical and technical experts. Teams specialize in consequence management and are designed to deploy rapidly to assist a local incident commander in determining the nature and extent of an attack or incident.

“We’re used to our 22 person team and it’s pretty easy to make decisions,” said Capt. Lila Baba, 83rd CST medical operations officer. “But with these extra people from the other response agencies, it adds to the decision making

time, so it’s very good practice.”

Each team also has two large pieces of equipment, a mobile analytical laboratory used for field analysis of chemical or biological agents, and a uniform command suite to provide interoperability of communications between the various responders who may be on scene or involved in the incident.

“We have almost any communication medium the response team would need,” said Sgt. 1st Class Jeff Whitney, 83rd CST communications chief. “If the Governor calls on his cell phone, we can crossband him through to the incident commander’s radio.”

The 341st Space Wing was able to use the uniform command suite’s unique capabilities during a mechanical failure at a missile launch facility May 4.

“It was a total force success,” said Col. Geoffrey Frazier, 341st Space Wing commander. “The CST’s experts transitioned from scheduled training to support of real-world operations outside of their normal scope, and smoothly integrated with our team of security forces, maintainers and depot specialists.”

There are 55 CSTs, one assigned to each state, territory and the District of Columbia, and two in California due to the state’s large population. The teams are a key element of the Department of Defense’s overall program to provide support to civil authorities in the event of a domestic incident involving weapons of mass destruction.

CSTs are federally resourced, trained and evaluated, but are state assets, performing their primary mission under the command and control of the governor. This unique federal-state relationship decreases the team’s response time. CSTs ultimately pave the way for follow-on agencies.

Prior to ICLT, each team has undergone 15 months of individual specialty and unit training. Following ICLT, the team must complete operational certification and ultimately be designated certified by the Secretary of Defense. The 83rd CST is scheduled for certification in September.

“This is our first opportunity to work together in the same location at the same time,” said Maj. Mark McGuinley, 83rd CST deputy commander. “We’ve been in the process of hiring and attending specialized training, but to be in the same place for 10 days, the highs and lows and learning everyone’s personality, the team has really jelled. I’m confident we’ll be an effective team.”

ICLT at Malmstrom marks Phase V of national CST training and teams from Montana, South Dakota, North Dakota and Wyoming will complete training here through the end of June. ♡

CSAF Survey results released

■ Link on Malmstrom homepage to review complete report

Submitted by the 341st Mission Support Squadron
Manpower and Organization Flight

Almost 2,000 Malmstrom members – active duty military, guard, reservists, appropriated and non-appropriated civilians – took the time to respond to the Chief of Staff of the Air Force Survey. The results of the survey have been released and leadership at all levels is committed to getting the word out.

Areas on the survey that received the highest ratings included perceived performance of the unit, with 96 percent of respondents saying “my unit is successfully accomplishing its mission,” and trust in supervisors garnering more than 90 percent agreement with statements like, “my immediate supervisor is sincere in his/her efforts to communicate with team members.” The complete results for the 341st Space Wing are available on the Malmstrom AFB Home Page under “Current Topics.” They will be available to review online for the next month.

“We are extremely happy with both the participation rate and results, but realize there are areas that require leadership attention and we will address them,” said Col. Geoffrey Frazier, 341st Space Wing commander.

Leadership will be providing feedback regarding their respective unit results within the next 30 days, said Randy Glick, the Malmstrom project officer for the CSAF Survey.

“Leadership from the CSAF all the way down asked each of us to take time from our busy work schedules and complete the survey. You told leadership the areas that require improvement and now leadership will begin the process of addressing those target areas,” Mr. Glick said.

Commanders received a copy of their unit’s results, and a comprehensive workbook to help them interpret their survey results, and develop and share action plans.

Actions as a result of previous surveys have included increased emphasis on recognition, training and funding for off-duty activities such as the “Detour,” the new Airmen’s center in building 650. ♡

Malmstrom’s Open House June 3 and 4

- Theme: Montana’s Military Mission**
- Force-on-Force helicopter demonstration (weapons and tactics)
 - Helicopter flying and rescue demonstration
 - Weapons displays/numerous static displays
 - Mini expeditionary tent city with combat gear
 - Fire safety demonstrations
 - Tours of the missile procedures trainer and launch facility maintenance trainer
 - Food booths
 - AND
 - The MAC Sport-Auto-Rama

Watch for complete details in the next issue of the HPW.

‘Wing 1, Scene III’ theater group practicing for show

Story and photo by
Airman Emerald Ralston
341st Space Wing Public Affairs

Wing I, Scene III, Malmstrom’s new theater group, will perform the play, “Three Tier Theater,” scheduled for June 9.

The group formed at the end of March and is still fervently seeking new members for the production.

“The play in June is going to include a variety of acts,” said 2nd Lt. Naomi Haines, 12th Missile Squadron, and the vice president of the theater group.

Among the acts will be singing, starving

musicians, a series of short skits, Shakespeare drama, comedy and a ‘Whose Line is it Anyway’ improv with audience participation, said Lieutenant Haines.

Along with the play is a benefit dinner where donations will be “creatively collected,” said Senior Airman Sarah Burrill, 341st Civil Engineer Squadron.

“Since we just started, any new members would be amazing,” said Lieutenant Haines. “All age groups, all experience levels, children, DOD civilians and family members can join. Volunteers are also needed.”

If you want to volunteer, you don’t have

to be on stage.

“You can do backstage work like helping with sound, advertising, hair styling, make-up, costume design, publicity, musicians, singing — whatever you are interesting in contributing,” said Lieutenant Haines.

“Regardless of your experience, if you have a talent, we can use you,” said Craig Barnes, who is also involved in the group. “Come on out!”

With the upcoming production, the group meets twice a week for practice, said Lieutenant Haines.

For more information about the group or becoming a member, call 731-6923. 🐦



Joey Powell, 14, practices his role during rehearsal Monday at the base theater. The acting group meets twice a week on days that work best for the members.

Force shaping board results released Wed.

PETERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. – The Air Force has released the results of the 2006 Force Shaping Board, affecting lieutenants in the 2002 and 2003 accession year groups.

The Force Shaping Board is designed to enable the Air Force to meet mission requirements within budget constraints and to provide Combatant Commanders with the right mix of ready and fully trained Airmen. The board convened in April 2006 and was a Secretary of the Air Force–authorized central board conducted at the Air Force Personnel Center at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas.

The force shaping board selected 1,240 out of 2,083 officers in the 2002 and 2003 accession year groups for retention. The affected officers were personally notified by their senior raters of their retention status May 10.

“While the results of this board are great news for some, we must remember that there are others who didn’t receive the results they’d hoped for,” said Lt. Gen. Frank G. Klotz, AFSPC Vice Commander. “To those Air Force

professionals who received disappointing news, I offer my best wishes, knowing you will no doubt continue to succeed in whatever new endeavors you undertake. My sincere thanks to all our Airmen for your dedication and support to the Air Force and Air Force Space Command.”

Officers not selected for retention will be separated no later than Sept. 29.

Master Sgt. Edward Jordan, AFSPC manpower and personnel, said the force shaping process is necessary to help meet the Air Force’s end strength goals.

“The intent is to properly shape the future force by retaining the officers we need to do the mission today and to develop the future leadership of the Air Force,” Sergeant Jordan said.

Officers not selected for retention are still eligible to apply for the Palace Chase or the Blue to Green programs. Palace Chase applicants accepted into the Guard or Reserve may avoid a break in service provided they apply by Aug. 1, according to a May 3 AFPC news release. The Blue to Green program offers eligible officers the oppor-

tunity to transfer to the Army, but applicants must submit their packages by June 15.

Those who wish to continue to serve, but not in uniform, may apply for civil service employment. Interested officers should visit the Office of Personnel Management Web site at www.usajobs.opm.gov for more information.

Officers are entitled to post-separation benefits and services such as transitional healthcare coverage for 180 days, permissive temporary duty and an expanded opportunity to participate in the Montgomery GI Bill. Officers should contact their base family support centers for more detailed information regarding these benefits and available transition resources.

For more information on the Blue to Green program call DSN 665-2758 or e-mail afpc.dpprs@randolph.af.mil. Palace Chase information is available by calling DSN 665-3758 or by e-mail at palacechase@randolph.af.mil. For the latest information on force shaping, visit <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/retsep/forceshaping/shape.htm>. 🐦

First quarter Sharp Troops selected by 1st Sgts

The following individuals have been selected as Sharp Troops for the first quarter. Sharp Troop awards are earned by individuals who consistently exceed AFI 36-2903 requirements. They are given an award certificate signed by the command chief and the President of the First Sergeant’s Council along with a 24-hour pass letter signed by the wing commander.

The Sharp Troop Award winners are:

341st Comptroller Squadron: Airman 1st Class Nickolas Milton

341st Missile Security Forces Squadron: Airman 1st Class Rowland Towle

341st Security Forces Squadron: Airman Kyle Lajoie

341st Logistics Readiness Squadron: Staff Sgt. Aaron Hill

741st Missile Security Forces Squadron: Airman 1st Class David Skipalis

490th Missile Squadron: Airman Joshua Parcel

341st Missile Maintenance Squadron: Airman 1st Class Cami Gilbertson

341st Mission Support Squadron: Airman 1st Class Krystie Hollowell

341st Services Squadron: Airman Shane Flahaut

12th Missile Squadron: Airman 1st Class Jessica Becton 🐦

Chaplain McCain pens new prayer

By Airman Emerald Ralston
341st Space Wing Public Affairs

For years, the U.S. Air Force Hymn has echoed through the halls of the U. S. Air Force Academy and chapel services across the Air Force. The hymn talks of adventure, security and saving grace. While this hymn is written for all “balanced birds in all their flight,” Team Malmstrom created one of its own.

The prayer is called “Guardians of the High Frontier” and was written by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Pat McCain.

The prayer was written at the request of former 341st Space Wing Commander, Col. Everett H. Thomas, after Colonel Thomas heard the original Air Force Hymn at a chapel service at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas, said Chaplain McCain.

“Because our mission here is so different, I wanted to write something that captured who we are at Malmstrom, who we are in Air Force Space Command,” said Chaplain McCain. “The original hymn is wonderful; this is just more specific to our mission.”

“My biggest struggle was that I wanted it to be inclusive of everybody,” said Chaplain McCain. “Accomplishing our AFSPC mission takes everyone. Our missileers may be at the tip of the spear, but

we’ve got everybody supporting it around the clock.”

According to Chaplain McCain, it took him several months, and a lot of prayers, to come up with lyrics that will, he hopes, inspire Malmstrom’s Airmen.

The prayer will go in weekly programs, the hymn books, posters and so on, said Chaplain McCain.✎

“Guardians of the High Frontier”

“God, protect those who serve
in peace and war;
Missileers, Maintainers,
Defenders and more.
Preservers of freedom and
treasure most dear,
Guardians of the High Frontier.
May America stand strong, faith-
ful and true,
As Warriors of space serve our
nation and You —
Ensuring liberty and justice for
one and all,
a land blessed by God
and Guardians tall.”

Free online resources available to military, family members

By Airman Emerald Ralston
341st Space Wing Public Affairs

Military One Source Online is a free, confidential Web site that provides resources to service members on a variety of issues such as health, family, retirement, finance and education, along with other common issues.

MilitaryOneSource.com offers self-assessments, bulletin boards and life workshops, and is constantly accessible to military members and their families.

“Military One Source allows the customer to take control of their own personnel actions. It will help save time at the military personnel flight by letting the customer take care of things at home,” said Master Sgt. Bodie A. Grundel, superintendent of customer support. “They can do it at their leisure.”

“When the program actually comes online and the customers are using it, it will diminish our taskings and take duties away from us.”

Deployments have decreased the number of personnel available to assist customers and the personnel career field, as a whole, has diminished, Sergeant Grundel said.

“We’ll still be there for them and if customers have a hard time using the program they can still come to the MPF for help,” said Sergeant Grundel. “We’re not going to let the customer struggle. If any of the customers have an issue, they just need to come up and

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SFG members to host annual Police Week activities

By Masater Sgt. Mike Walters
341st Security Forces Squadron

The 341st Security Forces Group will sponsor Malmstrom’s annual Police Week May 14 to 20.

National Peace Officers Memorial Day is May 15, and the week containing that date has been National Police Week since President John F. Kennedy signed Public Law 87-726 Oct. 1, 1962.

It was not until May 15, 1982, the first National Peace Officers’ Memorial Day Service was held.

In Washington, D.C., activities during National Police Week now include

the annual Candlelight Vigil at the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial and the National Peace Officers’ Memorial Day Service.

The week’s activities here will start Monday with 341st SFG personnel representing Malmstrom in Great Falls at the state’s annual law enforcement memorial service and parade starting at noon at the Great Falls Police Department. The parade will proceed up Central Avenue and return to the Civic Center for the service at 1 p.m. The event is free and open to the public.

A Police Week three mile fun run is Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. at the base gym.

Police Week will also include a short formal retreat at 4 p.m. Thursday at Medal of Honor Park in memory of Air Force Security Forces and local law enforcement officials who gave their lives in the line of duty. The retreat will include formations from the Security Forces Group and the entire wing is invited to attend.

Police Week is a time to remember and celebrate the work of the nation’s police professionals and to pay respect to law enforcement officials across the nation.

For more information on any Police Week Event, call 731-4309.✎

Click it or ticket campaign runs May 22 to June 4

Provided by the 341st Space Wing
Safety Office

The following information, facts and talking points are aimed at increasing awareness and the importance of wearing seatbelts.

Safety Belts Save Lives

■ Regular safety belt use is the single most effective way to protect people and reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes.

■ Nearly one in five Americans (18 percent nationally) still fail to regularly wear their safety belts when driving or riding in a motor vehicle.

■ Although safety belt use increased to a record 82 percent nationally in 2005 (up from 58 percent since 1994), too many Americans still choose not to regularly wear their safety belts.

■ According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 31,693 passenger vehicle occupants died in traffic crashes during 2004 – and 55 percent of those killed were not wearing their safety belts at the time of the crash.

■ In 2005, observed safety belt use in primary law states averaged 85 percent, compared to 75 percent in states with secondary laws.

Those least likely to buckle up and at greatest risk

■ Men – especially younger men – are much less likely to buckle up. In 2004, 67 percent of male drivers and 73 percent of male passengers between the ages of 18 and 34 who were killed in crashes were not wearing their safety belts.

■ According to NHTSA, pickup truck drivers and passengers, particularly among young males, consistently have the lowest safety belt usage rates of all motorists.

■ In 2005, the observed safety belt use rate in pickup trucks was only 73 percent compared to 83 percent in passenger cars and 85 percent in vans and SUVs.

■ This lack of safety belt use is deadly. In 2004, 68 percent of pickup truck drivers and 73 percent of pickup truck passengers who were killed in traffic crashes were not buckled up.

■ One of the deadliest causes in any vehicle crash comes when passengers get ejected from the vehicle – with most coming from failure to wear safety belts.

■ Seventy four percent of passenger vehicle occupants who were totally ejected from their vehicle in 2004 were killed. Only one in 100 drivers and passengers in fatal crashes who were wearing their safety belts were totally ejected and killed.

■ The ejection rate for occupants of light trucks (e.g. pickup trucks) involved in fatal crashes is nearly double the rate for passenger car occupants.

■ Motorists can increase the odds of survival in a rollover crash in a light truck by nearly 80 percent by wearing their safety belt.

■ Americans driving or riding on rural roadways face a much greater risk of being injured or killed in traffic crashes than do those in urban or suburban areas, according to the NHTSA.

■ Safety belt use in the nation’s rural areas consistently trails the national average.

■ Nationally, in 2005, only 79 percent of rural drivers and their passengers were observed wearing their safety belts compared to 81 percent for urban motorists and 83 percent among suburban motorists.

■ While only about a fifth of Americans live in rural areas, rural traffic fatalities accounted for 58 percent of the nation’s total in 2004.

■ Even more alarming, the motor vehicle crash fatality rate per 100 million vehicle miles traveled in rural areas is almost double the fatality rate in urban areas.

■ Part of the danger to rural drivers comes from delayed recovery and emergency response along isolated roadways. But much of the danger is also due to excessive speed, increased alcohol use, vehicle rollovers and higher occupant ejection rates.

No more excuses: “Click it or Ticket”

National, state and local law enforcement officials will be zeroing in on the one in five Americans who still don’t get it.

The goal is simple: to save more lives by convincing drivers and passengers to always buckle up.

This special “Click It or Ticket” safety belt high-visibility enforcement mobilization includes a variety of increased enforcement and outreach activities to reach rural motorists including special television and radio advertisements targeting non-belt users.

The 2006 “Click It or Ticket” national enforcement mobilization runs from May 22 through June 4.

For more information, visit www.buckleupamerica.org.✎

DUI, MIP misconduct result in jail sentences

Submitted by 341st Space Wing Judge
Advocate Office

Three Malmstrom Airmen assigned as Security Force members, were recently tried, convicted and sentenced by a Summary Court-Martial. While each case was judged on its own merits, there was a common theme with each case: each Airman had a prior incident of underage drinking. Unfortunately, not every Airman learns from their previous mistakes. These recent courts prove at least one thing: repeat offender Airmen involved in alcohol-related incidents risk jail time.

April 27, Airman 1st Class Jeremy Rodriguez, 741st Missile Security Forces Squadron, pled guilty at a summary court-martial for drinking under the legal age of 21, for failing to report to duty and for making a false official statement. The facts proved Airman Rodriguez was drinking within eight hours prior to scheduled posting for duty as a security forces member, and, the following morning didn’t report to work. When the unit asked him about it, he lied. He was sentenced to two days confinement, 20 days restriction and forfeiture of \$750.

April 28, Airman 1st Class Christopher Grice, 341st Missile Security Forces Squadron, pled guilty at a summary court-martial for drinking while driving, leaving his place of duty and making a false official statement. The facts proved Airman Grice lied by telling his supervisor he had an appointment in order to get out of work. On another occasion, he failed to show up for work. That same night, security forces stopped him at the main gate after smelling alcohol on his breath. His blood/alcohol level was .102. Airman Grice was sentenced to three days confinement, 30 days restriction and forfeiture of \$750.

May 3, Airman 1st Class Guadalupe Santana, 741st Missile Security Forces Squadron, pled not guilty at a summary court-marital for drinking under the legal age of 21 and drinking within eight hours of scheduled posting as a security forces member. The court found Airman Santana guilty of both offenses and sentenced him to seven days confinement, forfeiture of \$750 and reduction to airman basic.

Malmstrom leadership remains committed in its fight against underage drinking and drunk driving. Recently Malmstrom was granted jurisdiction over most off-base alcohol offenses. Commanders will now exercise much more control over punishments for alcohol related offenses.

The goal is to maintain consistency in punishment while driving down the number of alcohol-related incidents. In cases where Malmstrom has jurisdiction over a case, punishment can range from simple written counseling or an Article 15 to a court-martial.

Although all cases will be treated on an individual basis, as these recent courts prove, repeat offenders put themselves at risk for more stringent punishment.

Let’s all be good wingmen and help reduce Airmen alcohol-related incidents.✎



OSC holding scholarship dinner

The Officers’ Spouse’ Club is holding a dinner at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the Grizzly Bend Club to announce the annual scholarship winners and install the 2006-2007 officers. Dinner choices are chicken cordon bleu or london broil. Cost is \$14.75 for members; \$16.75 for non-members and the dead-line to make reservations is Sunday. Call Karlin Hughes at 731-4576 or reserve via e-vite.

Web-based system implemented

The 341st Communication Squadron is now using the Interactive Customer Evaluation system to measure customer satisfaction in the following areas:

Job control	COMSEC
Records management	Information assurance
Network maintenance	Public address
Multimedia center	Network administration
Network help desk	Telephone switchboard
Base information transfer center	Telephone maintenance
Publications manager	Base radio maintenance
Electronic messaging center	
Personal wireless communication systems	

Comments play a vital role in the way business is done. Take a few moments to complete a customer feedback for any communications service received from the 341st CS. The ICE Web site is at: <http://ice.disa.mil>.

Clinic closure announced

The 341st Medical Group will close at 11 a.m. June 2 for a unit function. Anyone needing urgent medical attention after

that time June 2 should call 731-4MED for assistance or a referral as deemed appropriate. In case of an emergency, call 911 or proceed to the nearest emergency room.

Stamp out hunger Saturday

Letter carriers will be collecting non-perishable food items Saturday during their normal mail deliveries. Anyone wanting to donate is asked to leave the items near their mailbox.

Among the items most needed by the food banks are canned meats and tuna, canned soup, dried milk, and canned fruit and vegetables. Also needed are dry and packaged items with a lot of protein and carbohydrates such as pasta, cereal, powdered milk, instant potatoes and stuffing mix.

Case lot sale at commissary

The commissary will hold its spring case lot sale May 18 to 20. For more information, call 731-3684.

Flower issue at self-help store

Flower issue for housing residents started Tuesday. Shipments will be received each Tuesday during May with issue beginning at 1:30 p.m. Flowers will be issued during regular business hours Wednesday through the following Monday as supplies last.

Each household is limited to a half a flat of flowers per day. Items available include petunias, marigolds, dianthus moss rose, pansies as well as potentilla flower bushes, juniper spreaders and five-foot juniper trees.

For more information or to find out more, call the self-help staff at 731-7701 or 731-7702.

HAWC OPEN HOUSE
today
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
TRY OUT NEW EQUIPMENT ~ SAMPLE FOOD
CAR SEAT SAFETY CHECKS ~ INFO. BOOTHS
FREE BALLOONS FOR THE KIDS

ONE SOURCE —
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ask for help.”
Eventually, with training and assistance from those of us who are left in the personnel career field, Military One Source will be an excellent resource, said Sergeant Grundel. “There are just growing pains right now.”
Resources are organized in categories such as quick tips, life articles, worksheets, audio tips, Web links, recommended reading and booklets.
The Massachusetts Interactive Media Council presented Military One Source Online an award in the Personal Services category in 2001 for its useable, creative and innovative service.
MilitaryOneSource.com has been available from Ceridian Lifeworks Services since 2001.
For more information, visit *MilitaryOneSource.com* or call 1-800-342-9647. ♀



Additional gate open

The gate on Perimeter Road adjacent to the First Liberty Federal Credit Union will be open from 6:30 to 8 a.m. for inbound traffic only; and from 3:30 to 5 p.m. for outbound traffic only, Monday through Friday. This gate is to be used by permanent party personnel and those with existing vehicle passes only. All deliveries, commercial vehicles and personnel requiring visitor or vehicle passes must still use the 10th Avenue North gate.

This measure is intended to alleviate some, but not all, of the traffic through the 10th Avenue North gate. Please plan your commute times accordingly.

Facility managers needed

Are you looking for a change of scenery or a new challenge? Would you like to broaden your perspective of the Air Force’s ICBM mission?
The 8S000 missile alert facility manager special duty assignment may be the job you’re looking for. Facility managers serve as the missile squadron commander’s representative at remote operational sites. Currently, there is a need for highly motivated technical and staff sergeants willing to work at these locations for 72-hour shifts. This assignment is a four year minimum stabilized tour with limited opportunities for TDY’s and deployments.
To find out more, call Master Sgt. Edward North at 731-7726 or e-mail him at edward.north@malmstrom.af.mil.

Sponsorship training scheduled

The next sponsorship training session is from 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. Call 731-4900 for reservations.

Motorcycle awareness day May 25

Rolling Thunder 2006, the annual motorcycle awareness day, is May 25 starting at 10 a.m. on the flight line.
Motorcycle demonstrations, merchandise booths, a live band, food booths and a best of show competition will take place until 1:30 p.m. The Malmstrom Road Masters will lead riders on a poker run to round out the day. For more information, call the safety office at 731-6720.

Troops to Teachers program

A seminar on teaching as a second career will be presented from 8 to 10 a.m. and 1 to 3 p.m. Tuesday at the education

and training center. Anyone interested in a future as a public school teacher should attend. The program provides \$5,000 financial aid towards completion of teacher training or a \$10,000 bonus to teach in a high-need school district for three years.

The Spouses to Teachers program offers advice and financial aid up to \$500 in several states.
Call 731-3531 to reserve a space in the class.

Virtual commissary expands selection

The virtual commissary has added new products to include snack packs, special occasion baskets and more, bringing the total number of gift baskets available to 79.
To access the extended commissary, shoppers must pass through a secure portal found under the shopping link at <http://www.commissaries.com>. Personal information entered is validated, based on information in DEERS.
Call 731-3675 for more information.

Calls to commercial toll-free numbers

DISA has implemented a new off-netting interface as a managed interface between the DSN and the public switched telephone network. This interface allows for the use of any 1-800-type toll-free number, specifically 800, 888, 866 and 877, on the PSTN. They can be accessed by dialing the DSN Telephone number: 809-4-OFF-DSN (809-463-3376). Access and usage is authorized for all DSN users.
Authorized uses of their interface includes:
a) Government contractors and vendors with 1-800 numbers
b) Help-desk numbers for hardware and software issues,
c) Non-toll PSTN number with a 1-800 number for credit card calling, where toll charges are applied to the credit card
d) Reverse billing to call recipient via “1-800-Call Collect” services.
How to use the 809 service:
a) Dial 809-463-3376
b) Users will receive a second dial tone
c) Dial the too-free number, including the “1”

Deadline announced

Due to the AFSPC Family Day May 26 and the holiday May 29, articles for the June 2 edition of the *High Plains Warrior* need to be submitted by close of business May 24. Send them to warrior@malmstrom.af.mil.

FAMILY CHILD CARE NOTICE

Individuals caring for other families’ children a total of more than 10 hours a week on a regular basis must be licensed to provide care in on-base quarters. The total number of hours is determined by the number of children in care multiplied by the hours of care provided, for example: a person caring for four children for three hours one day a week would need to be licensed.

- This does not include individuals who:
- Provide occasional care for a friend or neighbor;
 - Provide baby-sitting on an occasional basis for other families;
 - Provide childcare in the parent's own home;
 - Operate parent cooperatives where one of the parents provides supervision for other parent's children on an exchange basis and no fees are involved;
 - Teenagers doing evening and week-end baby-sitting for families;
 - Temporary full-time care of a child during a parent's absence for temporary duty or deployment by the person listed on the AF Form 357, Family Care Plan.
- The 341st Mission Support Group commander may revoke the housing privileges of individuals who provide care for more than 10 hours a week but refuse to become licensed.
For more information, call the family child care office at 731-2116. ♀

Blood Drive
Tuesday
11 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.
Fitness Center
Lower Gym

Schedule an appointment online at www.givelife.org or call you unit blood drive representative.

SW: Tech. Sgt. Fifrick
MSG: 1st Lt. Hobbs
SFG: 2ne Lt. Fawcett
MDG: Senior Airman Codutti
MXG: Master Sgt. McPherson
RHS: Staff Sgt. Eastman

Malmstrom Base Chapel
Worship Services

CATHOLIC
Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
Daily Mass
(Tues. to Fri.): 11:30 a.m.
Reconciliation
Saturday: 4 to 4:45 p.m.

PROTESTANT
Sunday: Traditional 11:15 a.m.
Tuesday: Music practice 5:15 p.m.
Wednesday: AWANA 6:15 p.m.

Ecumenical Fellowship
Sunday 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School
Protestant: 9:45 to 10:45 a.m.
CCD: 11 a.m. to noon
Senior high/youth: noon to 1 p.m.
Questions should be directed to the chapel staff at 731-3721.

Commander’s Access Channel
Schedule
IG Outbrief
9 a.m. 3 p.m. 11 p.m.
11 a.m. 5 p.m.

Fire ABC’s with Sparky
6 a.m. 10 a.m. 2 p.m. 10 p.m.
8 a.m. Noon 6 p.m.

Taking Control of Depression
3 a.m. 5 a.m. 7 a.m. 9 p.m.
Drinking and Driving: Is It Worth Even One Life?
Midnight 2 a.m. 4 p.m. 8 p.m.

Malmstrom community announcements air between scheduled programs.

Airmen Against Drunk Driving Spotlight
Members of the 741st Missile Security Forces Squadron combined for 21 saves last week. To date, there have been 766 saves in 2006. The base’s AADD program is available from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. every day by calling
788-HOME (4663)
AADD is always looking for volunteers.
Call Senior Master Sgt. Timothy Ryan at 731-7256



Courtesy photo

Swimming at the base pool twice a week is one of the scheduled activities for each of the Youth Program Center's summer camps.

Fun, field trips await summer campers

By Valerie Mullett
341st Space Wing Public Affairs

School is just about finished for this year and childcare for the summer need not be a concern if parents take advantage of the carefully planned weeks of summer camp being offered by the Youth Program Center.

Camps run from June 4 through Aug. 29, and sign ups have already started. Parents can register their child to participate in any or all of the camps offered. Drop in care is also provided, on a space available basis. The camps are open to children in kindergarten through sixth grade.

Each camp carries a different theme for the week, includes a field trip or special event, two afternoons of swimming at the base pool and other organized events. Participants receive breakfast and lunch plus two snacks while they are at the center and the fees for the week are all-inclusive.

"The only thing the children need to bring with them are a swim suit and towel," said Kim Newcomb, school age program assistant. "We will provide everything else."

During a typical day at camp, the children are allowed to "free flow" whenever there isn't a scheduled activity, said Ms.

Newcomb.

For those who have never been to the Youth Program Center, there are several different rooms there, each offering different things to do in them.

"In one room, there will be arts and crafts projects going on while in another, the children can sit and read or use the computer," Ms. Newcomb explained. "They can use the gym, or play table and board games. There's more than ample options to prevent them from being bored," she said.

Another fun project the campers will participate in is gardening. They will raise both flowers and vegetables.

"All the vegetables they grow they also get to eat," said Kathy Desy, family member programs flight chief. "Last year, the kids made salsa from all the vegetables they grew."

These are just some of the things offered to the children. The full camp schedule appears in the center of this page, as well as the fee schedule. But for anyone who still might have questions, the staff can be reached at 731-4634.

"We offer more individualized and comprehensive camps than you will find downtown," Ms. Desy said. "Our prices are very comparable, as well."

Summer fun awaits for those who don't wait too long to register. 🐦

Summertime Fun

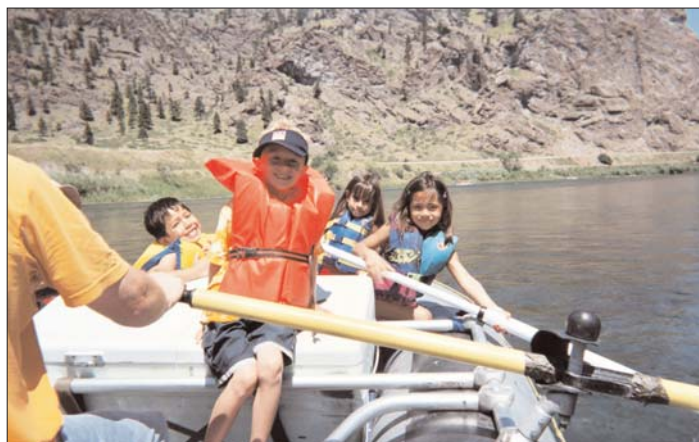
Youth Program Center's Summer Camps at a glance

Week #1: June 5 to 9
Theme: What's Growing?
Field trip to Bundi Gardens

Week #2: June 12 to 16
Theme: Missoula Children's Theater
Special event — "Little Mermaid"

Week #3: June 19 to 23
Theme: Float and Freeze
Field trip — rafting on the Missouri

Week #4: June 26 to 30
Theme: Dino Week
Field trip to Bynum Dino Dig



Week #5: July 5 to 7*
Theme: All American
Special event — bowling and softball games
*no camp Monday and Tuesday due to AFSPC family day and July 4th holiday

Week #6: July 10 to 14
Theme: Foods of the World
Field trip — rafting on the Missouri

Week #7: July 17 to 21
Theme: Lewis and Clark
Field trip to Gates of the Mountains

Week #8: July 24 to 28
Theme: Aviation
Field trip to the airport and National Guard

Week #9: July 31 to Aug. 4
Theme: Everyone's A Star Week
Special event — water games

Clockwise from top: Youth Programs Center summer campers enjoy a float trip on the Missouri, tend to their vegetables in the garden by the center and get ready to go horseback riding on a field trip.



Week # 10: Aug. 7 to 11
Theme: South of the Border
Special event — Hispanic Club dance performance

Week #11: Aug. 14 to 18
Theme: Montana Week
Field Trips: Russell Museum and horseback riding

Week #12: Aug. 21 to 24
Theme: Creative Career Week
Field trip — rafting on the Missouri



Campers enjoy doing arts and crafts projects during a field trip last summer.

AF Services offering camp opportunity at Camp Island Lake in Pocono Mts.

Compiled by 341st Space Wing
Public Affairs

The owners of Camp Island Lake in the Pocono Mountains of Pennsylvania have donated camp tuition for Aug. 2 to 15 to family members of the military. They are provided five slots for each branch of service for children, ages 9 to 15, to attend.

Parents would be responsible for transportation to and from the camp only; the \$2,400 tuition would be paid for.

This unique camp offers individualized programming that allows youth to choose their camp schedule based on a variety of offerings, to include: mountain biking, circus techniques, pioneering, gymnastics, science, theater,

horseback riding, technology, water sports and many others. Information about the camp is available at www.islandlake.com.

To apply for the camp, youth must have a parent currently deployed or deployed in the last six months, and must submit a typed essay (maximum two pages) addressing the question: "What is would mean to me to go to Camp Island Lake Camp this summer." Youth affected by recent deployment of a parent should indicate such in their essay and will be given higher priority for camp attendance.

All entries must be submitted electronically no later than June 2 to Candace Bird at candace.bird@pentagon.af.mil or Eliza Nesmith at eliza.nesmith@pentagon.af.mil. 🐦

FEES FOR YPC SUMMER CAMPS

Category 1: \$0 to \$28,000 . . . \$62 per week
Category 2: \$28,001 to \$34,000 . . . \$76 per week
Category 3: \$34,001 to \$44,000 . . . \$89 per week
Category 4: \$44,001 to \$55,000 . . . \$102 per week
Category 5: \$55,001 to \$70,000 . . . \$116 per week
Category 6: \$70,001 and over . . . \$129 per week

Please call 731-4634 with any questions.



Master Sgt. Troy Rames, NCOIC of the Combat Weather Team, checks the radar screen for developing weather in the local area.

Predicting success

■ Two weather team members receive AFSPC-level awards

Story and photos by Valerie Mullett
341st Space Wing Public Affairs

“If you don’t like the weather, just wait five minutes and it will change.”

We can all laugh when we hear that statement, knowing how true it generally is in Great Falls. But for the staff of the 341st Operations Support Squadron’s Combat Weather Team, the weather is what keeps them going. And without them doing what they do best, the mission would be hampered.

The weather flight has four main functions they must perform and the staff has incorporated others that help make them the award winners they are.

Tasked with providing mission execution forecasts to the helicopter and maintenance squadrons as well as the operations group is their primary function. Supporting expeditionary Air Force requirements is the other.

Two staff members were recently recognized by Air Force Space Command for exceeding standards in both arenas.

Master Sgt. Troy Rames, NCOIC of the Combat Weather Team, was chosen as the winner of the Gardner Award. It recognizes individual leadership excellence by a senior noncommissioned officer in an Air Force weather unit that conducts aerospace weather operations. It is named after Chief Master Sgt. William Gardner, the first senior enlisted advisor for Air Weather Services.

Sergeant Rames was deployed for 120 days of the award cycle period and it was during this time he shined brightest.

“I am most proud of being able to secure some new equipment while I was deployed that will make it safer for aircraft to land because weather conditions can be watched and briefed more effectively,” Sergeant Rames said.

Another significant accomplishment he is proud of is a result of the equipment procurement — preparing and briefing weather to the MEDEVAC crews, “more than 90 times that encompassed ferrying 144 coalition patients to safety during combat operations,” according to his award nomination.

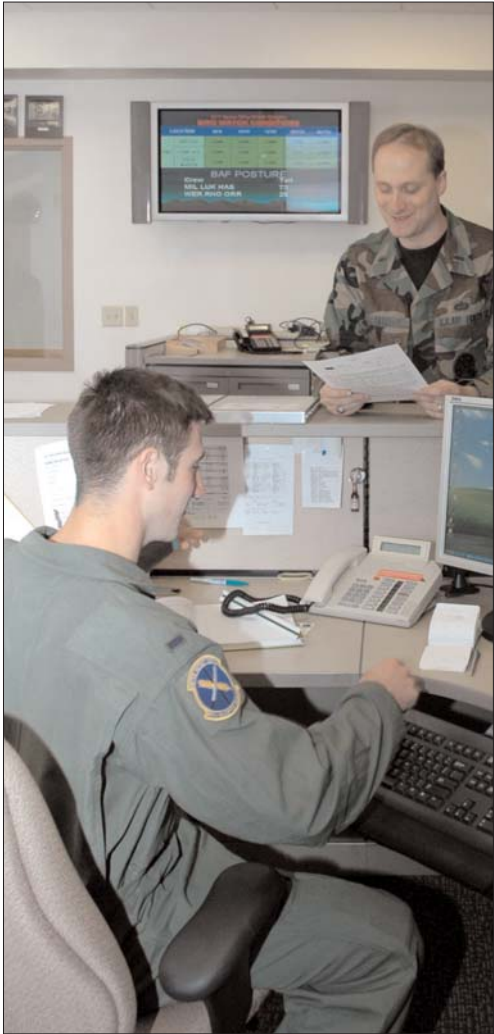
“It was important for them to have the best tools possible to get out and get the injured and bring them back quickly and safely,” he said.

He is also credited with managing all of the weather activities for the only active Iraqi flying unit, creating a quality assurance program, overseeing 21 troops from four bases, volunteering as the redeployment manager, and numerous other weather-related improvements.

While he was deployed, Tech. Sgt. Toby Grubbs stepped in to fill his shoes here at home, earning him nomination for the Pierce Award. Named after Maj. Gen. Russell K. Pierce, Jr., the 12th commander of the Air Weather Service, it recognizes the same qualities for an noncommissioned officer, as the Gardner Award did for the SNCO.

“He reworked the entire master training plan we have for the weather flight,” said 1st Lt. Brian Yates, weather combat team flight commander. “His forte is training.”

But for the 16-year weather veteran, he is most proud of his unit deployment manager accomplishments while stationed in Hawaii.



1st Lt. Brian Yates, Weather Combat Team flight commander, gives 1st Lt. Nick Noreus, 40th Helicopter Squadron, one of the required daily weather briefings.

“I would have to say my best overall accomplishment during the award period was deploying and recovering 44 personnel to support OIF/OEF operations,” Sergeant Grubbs said.

“And I agree, revamping and revitalizing the training program here, along with procuring top-of-the-line weather satellite software are key, too. These two items ensure the wing has the best weather support possible,” he said.

Some words used to describe him by others include skillful planner, spot-on leader, tenacious supervisor, expert manager, outstanding job performer and the list goes on.

Having spent his entire career in weather and earning his bachelor’s degree in meteorological technology, Sergeant Grubbs has gained the respect of his peers as the best in the command at what he does.

So while we can poke fun at the Montana weather, when it comes to professionalism, Malmstrom’s forecasters are on the money. ♪

Making a move . . .

Retirements

May 16 ~ Lt. Col. Michael Gathright, 1 p.m. at the Grizzly Bend Club
June 9 ~ Chief Master Sgt. Mark Blake, 2 p.m. at the Grizzly Bend Club
July 13 ~ Chief Master Sgt. Brian Jolly, 2 p.m. at the Grizzly Bend Club

Change of Command Ceremonies

May 22 ~ Lt. Col. Sandra Gregory, 341st MOS/CC, 11 a.m., 3 Bay Hangar
June 6 ~ Lt. Col. Ernest Rodriguez, 564th MS/CC, 10 a.m., Grizzly Bend Club
June 7 ~ Lt. Col. Edwin Bayba, 341st CS/CC, 9 a.m., Medal of Honor Park with reception at the Grizzly Bend Club
June 8 ~ Maj. Renee Campbell, 341st SFS/CC, 10 a.m., Medal of Honor Park
June 15 ~ Lt. Col. Carlos Rice, 490th MS/CC, 10 a.m., Grizzly Bend Club
June 22 ~ Lt. Col. Edward Thomas, 341st MSS/CC, 9 a.m., Medal of Honor Park with reception at the Grizzly Bend Club
June 23 ~ Lt. Col. Mark Evans, 341st LRS/CC, 9 a.m., Medal of Honor Park with reception at the Grizzly Bend Club
July 13 ~ Maj. David Everitte, 341st SVS/CC, 9 a.m., Medal of Honor Park with reception at the Grizzly Bend Club

Assumptions of Command Ceremonies

June 23 ~ 891th RHS/CC, time and location to be determined
June 29 ~ 40th HS/CC, 10 a.m., location to be determined
July 14 ~ Col. Bradley Herremans will assume command of the 341st MDG, 9 a.m., Medal of Honor Park with a reception to follow at the Grizzly Bend Club

Week 4: HAWC Trivia

Have you seen me? If you have, you can take a guess at my contents and if you get the answer right, you could win a prize.

A food display will be located in four different places for the next two weeks. If you can answer the questions correctly, you could win an exercise DVD or CD and a water bottle.

This week, a display of four grains, accompanied by a trivia question will be at building 500, the HAWC, the Fitness Center and the Clinic. The winner will be a random selection from all correct entries and will be notified by e-mail. For more information, call 731-4482.

Last week’s answer: There is 1.3 teaspoons of salt in a can of beef stew. That is more than the recommended daily value.

Sports briefs

341 SFS-sponsored fun run

There will be a fun run in honor of National Police Week sponsored by the 341st Security Forces Squadron May 16. Meet at the Fitness Center at 7 a.m.; the run starts at 7:30 a.m.

Umpires needed for Little League

The Great Falls American Little League Association is in need of umpires. Games are played at the Great Falls American park, located on 38th Street between 10th Avenue North and the Northwest Bypass. Games are held between 6 and 8:30 p.m. weeknights.

To find out more or to volunteer to umpire, call Master Sgt. Jason Jezewski at 452-0468 or 731-7593.

Helena-area campgrounds open

All Bureau of Land Management recreation sites near Helena officially open today when services will be provided and recreation fees collected.

Holter Lake, Log Gulch and Departure Point campgrounds on Holter Lake were renovated in 2004 and include camping spots, boat docks, fish-cleaning stations, toilets, picnic tables and swimming areas. Group shelters at Log Gulch and Holter Lake are available for group reservations.

On Hauser Lake, Devil's Elbow campground provides tables, fire rings, a boat launch, fishing

access and a swimming area. Clark's Bay day-use area has a boat launch, swimming area and shaded picnic tables.

An interpretive site known as Two Camps Vista is open to the public at no charge. Two Camps is located north of Lakeside just off Your Road and above Devil's Elbow campground.

Fees for these sites are:
Camping - \$10 per night
Day use - \$2 per vehicle
Seasonal day use pass - \$25 per vehicle
Group picnic reservations - \$50 plus \$2 per vehicle (Holter Lake, Log Gulch and Clark's Bay)

Group camping reservations - \$50 plus \$10 per night (Devil's Elbow and Log Gulch)

The Holter Dam Site located on the Missouri River immediately below the lake along Holter Dam Road also opens today with camping at \$6 per night.

The Beartooth Landing boat-in site located upriver from Holter Lake and across from Ming Bar is now open. No fees are charged at this site.

All fees are half price for those with a Golden Age or Golden Access passport. To qualify, you must be 62 years of age or permanently disabled.

For more information, call any of the following numbers:

Butte BLM Field Office: (406) 533-7600
Devil's Elbow: (406) 227-3570
Holter Lake: (406) 235-4314
Log Gulch: (406) 235-4480

Softball ~ May 15
741st MSFS vs. MMXS "B"
6 p.m., Field 3
CES vs. SFS
6 p.m., Field 2
MDG vs. MOS
7:15 p.m., Field 3
CS vs. MMXS "A"
7:15 p.m., Field 2

Softball ~ May 16
341st MSFS vs. 120th FW
6 p.m., Field 3
OG vs. LRS
6 p.m., Field 2
SVS vs. MSS
7:15 p.m., Field 3
490th MS vs. OSS
7:15 p.m., Field 2

Intramural Golf

Intramural golf matches will be played on Thursdays, starting May 25 through Aug. 31.

The kick off matches May 25 are as follows:

10:30 a.m.: CPTS vs. MSS
10:44 a.m.: CES "A" vs. MOS
10:58 a.m.: CES "B" vs. 564th MS
11:12 a.m.: CS "A" vs. OSS "B"
11:26 a.m.: CS "B" vs. OSS "A"
11:40 a.m.: LRS vs. 741st MSFS
11:54 a.m.: MXG "A" vs. MXG "B"
BYE: 12th MS

HAWC Open House, today, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

TAKE A SECURITY BREAK


Submitted by
341st SFS/SFAI

The Itaipu power station on the Parana River near the Brazil-Paraguay border generates 12,600 megawatts of power while the Mas-Hamilton X-07 electronic combination lock:

- a) generates its own power;
- b) uses a battery for its source of power;
- c) uses solar energy for its source of power; or
- d) can light up a city block with its energy source.

The answer to last week's question is "C."

Aces High Bowling Center - 731-2695




Extreme Bowling Tonight, May 12 Saturday, May 13
Starts at 9 p.m.

Arts and Crafts Center - 731-3641

Sign up and pay at least one day prior to class.

Tuesday, May 16
from 6 to 8:30 p.m.
~ **Intermediate Woodworking Starts Tuesday**, May 16
from 6 to 8:30 p.m.
Learn to make an Adirondack chair in this fun four-evening class.
Cost: \$25 per person, plus materials.



Thursday, May 18 from 10 a.m. to noon
~ **Stained Glass Class Thursdays**, May 18 and 25, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Each two-session class starts on a Thursday and ends the following Thursday.
Cost: \$35 per person.
~ **Scrapbooking Class**
Cost: \$10 plus materials.

Kid's Ceramics
Saturday, May 13, 10:30 a.m. to noon
This will be the last Saturday Kid's Ceramics. Other Kid's Ceramics classes will be offered in the summer during the week. Dates will be in the June calendar. All materials are provided. **Cost:** \$15 per child.



Movie Schedule

All movies are free. For current movie schedule, check www.341Services.com or call the auditorium hotline at 731-3236.

Today
King Kong (PG-13), 7:30 p.m. - In the early 1930's, Carl Denhan, a daring filmmaker and adventurer, set out to film a risky documentary on Skull Island. He brings along Ann Darrow, a beautiful but down-on-her-luck vaudeville performer and offers her the role. Aboard the ship, she falls for Jack Driscoll, a respected playwright who risks his life to save her once they reach their destination. Skull Island just happens to be a sanctuary for prehistoric life and Darrow is given to the 25-foot-tall gorilla, King Kong, as an offering from the natives.

(Cast: Naomi Watts, Jack Black and Adrien Brody)
Saturday
Barbie Mermaidia (NR), 3:30 p.m. - Prince Nalu has been kidnapped by the devious Laverna who has a plan to rule over Mermaidia with absolute authority.
Derailed (R), 7:30 p.m. - Charles and Lucinda, both married, strike up a friendship on a commuter train. It soon grows into infidelity. The consequences turn out to be greater than they imagined - a violent criminal who has learned about them demands substantial payment to keep their affair quiet. They become convinced that he will also harm their loved ones. (Cast: Jennifer Aniston, Clive Owen and Vincent Cassel)



Win a 50th Anniversary Polaris Scrambler 500cc!



No federal endorsement of sponsor intended.

For complete details, visit 341Services.com or call 731-4849.

Outdoor Recreation - 731-4202

Please sign up at least three days prior to activity.



Discounted Horseback Riding at Bull Run Guest Ranch

ODR will be selling discounted tickets for horseback riding at Bull Run Guest Ranch.

1 1/2 hour ride for \$30 - regularly \$35
2 1/2 hour ride for \$43 - regularly \$50

What to wear:
Long pants (jeans recommended)
Closed-toe shoes (use boots or shoes with heel)

What to bring: (optional)
Jacket, windbreaker or rain gear
Hat, camera and water
(Saddlebags are provided on each horse)

All rides are by reservation. Please call Outdoor Recreation for complete details at 731-3263.


Grizzly Bend Club - 731-3359

MEGA BLACKOUT JACKPOT BINGO - Tuesday, May 16

\$7,500

Blackout Jackpot Bingo!
\$250 Consolation Prize
40 # Progressive

Cards go on sale at 5:30 p.m.
Early Bird game starts at 6:30 p.m.
Every week until the Jackpot is won!



Specials at the Lewis & Clark Grill


Operations Group Lunch Specials: May 15 to 19
Every Monday a different group at Malmstrom will be honored. Non-members get member pricing and members get a free soft drink with lunch.

Wednesday: Ballroom Dancing

Thursday: Kids eat free! (dinner only)
12 and under eat free every Thursday in May. (From children's menu only)
Two free children's meals with every adult paid meal.

Friday:
Lunch - **Fisherman's Lunch Platter Special:** Catfish, shrimp, scallops, hushpuppies, waffle fries and cole slaw for \$8.95. (members save \$1)

Dinner - **All-You-Can-Eat Prime Rib** for \$19.95 (members save \$2) (no take out from 5 to 8 p.m.)




Mother's Day Brunch
Make your reservations for the Mother's Day Brunch now! Go online at 341Services.com or call the Club at 731-3359.

Sunday, May 14
from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Adults: \$18.95 - *show your Club card, get \$2 off.*
Kids (ages 4 to 12): \$5.95
3 and Under: Free

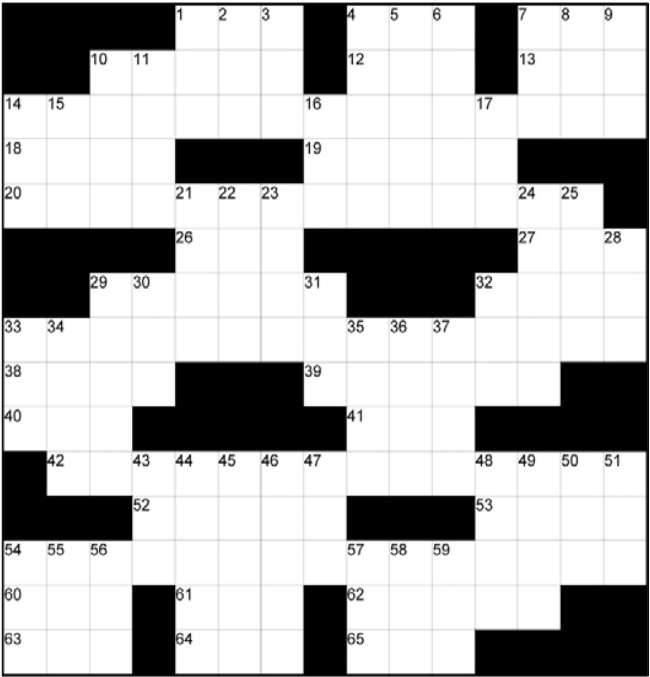
Youth Programs Center - 731-4634

America's Armed Forces Family Fun Run Saturday, May 20
This year's fun run is on the flightline again for all to enjoy. Open to all youth and adults! Youth ages 5 and 6 will run a ½ mile; ages 7 and 8 will run a ¾ mile; ages 9 to 12 will run 1 mile; and those ages 13 and older (adults) will run 1½ miles.



Register at the Youth Program Center, the Fitness Center, online at www.341Services.com or on the flightline May 20 from 10 to 10:30 a.m.

HOURS OF OPERATION			
ACES HIGH BOWLING CENTER			
Monday to Thursday	11 a.m. to 10 p.m.	FITNESS & SPORTS CENTER	
Friday	11 a.m. to midnight	Monday to Friday	4 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Saturday	9 a.m. to midnight	Weekends and Holidays	5 a.m. to 10 p.m.
Sunday	11 a.m. to 6 p.m.	OUTDOOR RECREATION	
Holidays	Closed	Monday to Friday	8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
ARDEN G. HILL MEMORIAL LIBRARY		Saturday, Sunday and Holidays	8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Monday to Thursday	10 a.m. to 6:45 p.m.	ARTS & CRAFTS CENTER	
Friday and Saturday	10 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.	Monday, Wednesday and Friday	10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday and Holidays	Closed	Tuesday and Thursday	10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
AUTO SKILLS SHOP		Saturday	10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Tuesday to Friday	1 to 9 p.m.	Sunday and Holidays	Closed
Saturday	10 a.m. to 9 p.m.	WOOD SHOP	
Sunday	10 a.m. to 2 p.m.	Wednesday and Friday	noon to 5 p.m.
Monday and Holidays	Closed	Tuesday and Thursday	noon to 9 p.m.
GRIZZLY BEND CLUB		Saturday	10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Grizzly Den Lounge:		Sunday, Monday and Holidays	Closed
Tuesday to Friday	4 to 9 p.m.	YOUTH PROGRAMS CENTER	
Lewis & Clark Grill:		Monday to Friday	3 to 7 p.m.
Monday to Friday	11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	Friday (ages 12 to 17)	8 to 11 p.m.
Tuesday to Friday	5 to 8 p.m.	Saturday	noon to 5 p.m.
		Sunday and Holidays	Closed



- DOWN**
- Prohibit
 - NY Giant Manning
 - Affirmative
 - Airport home to Ganci Air Base
 - AETC base
 - Caribbean island
 - USAF website ending
 - Pub order
 - Ancient
 - Profanity
 - Money
 - ___ *Another Teen Movie*
 - Lennon's bride
 - Compass point 112°30 east of due north
 - Perfect score
 - Ireland, formerly
 - Cheese type
 - Pb on Periodic Table
 - Windstorms
 - Health resorts
 - USN rank
 - Before now
 - ER attendants

- Japanese dance-drama
- Golfer Ernie
- Japanese sash
- Cold-blooded aquatic vertebrate
- African country
- Russian river
- Space org.
- Strike
- Erasable and programmable read-only memory
- Watches
- Object within another
- Mild exclamation of surprise
- Gen. Anthony McAuliffe response to surrender at Bastogne
- Instrumental music combo
- Wedding words
- Convent denizen
- Urchin
- Shoe part
- Ocean part
- Baseball stat
- Covered or enclosed truck or wagon
- Inquire

Photo of the week

The public affairs staff has the pleasure of traveling throughout 341st Space Wing units to tell the unit's story to the rest of the wing. In our endeavors, we often end up taking "funny photos" that just beg for an explanation - we thought we'd share those photos with you.

Here's how it works: Each week we'll run a new photo and leave it up to you to write the caption and tell our readers what's happening. There will also be a photo from the previous week that will identify the top three submitted outlines. Winners will be selected based on creativity and originality and will be chosen by the *High Plains Warrior* editorial staff. Send submissions to: warrior@malmstrom.af.mil no later than Monday.



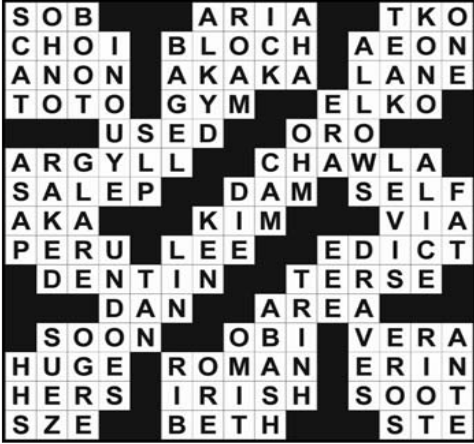
Last week's photo...

Military Appreciation

By Capt. Tony Wickman, 71st Flying Training Wing Public Affairs

ACROSS

- Ottoman Empire provincial governor
- ___jongg
- Chinese Communist leader and theorist Zedong
- Proportion
- Air University state, in short
- Sick
- Start of General Douglas MacArthur quote
- Burden of proof
- Fry briefly in high heat
- Part 2 of quote
- Anger
- Mock
- Rocky's wife
- Enthusiastic vigor
- Part 3 of quote
- Set of computer routines in read-only memory for startup
- Bother
- RQ-1 and RQ-4 mission
- ___ Vegas
- Part 4 of quote
- Speak one's mind
- Official literary language of Pakistan
- End of quote
- A Stoooge
- In debt to
- Singing group member
- Vegetable
- Standard time in seventh time zone west of Greenwich
- Toner



Solution for May 5 puzzle

This week's photo...

- "No, I don't need a pen. I need you to pull my finger."
- Craig Brookshire
Great Falls businessman
- "Right there?" "Yes, here is the pen. Take it apart and do the tracheotomy."
- Donnalene McPartlin, 341st CS

